

# Claims

[c1] A sponge adapted to clean grout in a tile surface that includes a plurality of tiles disposed in spaced apart relation to one another, and having a strip of grout disposed between contiguous tiles, each strip of grout forming an elongate concavity relative to the respective surfaces of the tiles, comprising:

a main body having a solid, generally parallelepiped structure that includes a flat top wall, a flat bottom wall, a pair of flat, longitudinally-extending side walls, and a pair of flat, transversely extending side walls;

a first plurality of longitudinally extending, parallel, convexities formed in said flat bottom wall;

said main body and said convexities being formed of a resilient, flexible material;

said convexities entering into and conforming to said concavities when said sponge is in use;

whereby grout between tiles is cleaned.

[c2] The sponge of claim 1, further comprising:

each convexity of said first plurality of convexities having a first, predetermined height relative to said flat bottom surface;

each concavity formed by each strip of grout having a predetermined depth;  
said first, predetermined height slightly exceeding said predetermined depth.

[c3] The sponge of claim 2, further comprising;  
a second plurality of longitudinally extending, parallel, convexities formed in said flat bottom wall;  
each concavity of said second plurality of concavities having a height dimension less than said first, predetermined height of said convexities of said first plurality of convexities;  
said convexities of said second plurality of convexities being formed of a resilient, flexible material;  
said convexities of said second plurality of convexities entering into and conforming to said concavities when said sponge is in use.

[c4] The sponge of claim 1, further comprising:  
said sponge being formed of a reticulated polyester.

[c5] The sponge of claim 4, further comprising:  
said reticulated polyester having a density of about 1.6 to 2.0 pounds per cubic foot.

[c6] The sponge of claim 1, further comprising:  
said sponge adapted to be releasably attached to a distal

end of an elongate handle.

- [c7] A sponge adapted to clean strips of grout between contiguous tile surfaces, each strip of grout forming an elongate concavity, comprising:
- a main body having a solid, generally parallelepiped structure that includes a flat top wall, a flat bottom wall, a pair of flat, longitudinally-extending side walls, and a pair of flat, transversely extending side walls;
  - a first plurality of curvilinear convexities formed in said flat bottom wall;
  - said main body and said curvilinear convexities being formed of a resilient, flexible material;
  - said curvilinear convexities entering into and conforming to said elongate concavities when said sponge is in use;
  - whereby grout between tiles is cleaned.
- [c8] The sponge of claim 7, further comprising:
- said sponge being formed of a reticulated polyester.
- [c9] The sponge of claim 8, further comprising:
- said reticulated polyester having a density of about 1.6 to 2.0 pounds per cubic foot.